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SUBJ: USE AND CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR LEASED VEHICLES -
6 FAM 236 AND AID M.O. 545.3

1. A RECENT REPORT BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS,
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, U.S. SENATE HAS QUESTIONED THE
FURNISHING OF TRANSPORTATION TO U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WITHOUT
CHARGE. THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION IS QUOTE IT RECOMMENDS THAT
A CHARGE BE IMPOSED FOR THE USE OF GOVERNMENT VEHICLES FOR HOME
TO WORK AND FOR OFF DUTY AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES END QUOTE.
THIS RECOMMENDATION IS LIMITED TO VIETNAM. HOWEVER, IT CONTINUES
AS FOLLOWS QUOTE THIS ALSO SHOULD BE DONE AT OTHER POSTS WHERE
TRANSPORTATION FOR RECREATION IS PROVIDED WITHOUT COST TO THE USER
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END QUOTE. THE LATTER PART OF THE RECOMMENDATION IS INTERPRETED

HERE TO MEAN QUOTE HOME TO WORK AND FOR OFF DUTY DUTY AND RECREATIONAL

PURPOSES END QUOTE.

2. CHIEFS OF MISSION ARE REQUESTED TO REVIEW CURRENT LOCAL CONDITIONS AND ISSUE UPDATED DETERMINATIONS AS PROVIDED BY SUBJECT REGULATIONS. IF, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE AMBASSADOR, CONDITIONS ARE FOUND TO WARRANT CONTINUATION OF GOVERNMENT FURNISHED TRANSPORTATION, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT A REASONABLE CHARGE BE IMPOSED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN THE CASE OF TRANSPORTATION FROM RESIDENCE TO AND FROM THE OFFICE. POSTS IN WHICH LOCAL CONDITIONS MIGHT WARRANT A DEVIATION SHOULD INCLUDE A JUSTIFICATION IN THEIR DETERMINATIONS.

3. EXISTING REGULATIONS ALREADY PROVIDE FOR A MANDATORY CHARGE OF 12 CENTS PER MILE FOR THE USE OF EACH VEHICLE IN ALL OTHER

CASES OF AUTHORIZED USE WHICH IS NOT FOR OFFICIALS PURPOSES.
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